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(1894-1984)
PAPERS
ca. 1500-1971

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INTRODUCTION

The Catherine Berry (Pilcher) Avery Papers, ca. 1500-1971, deal with the related families of Avery, Barrow, Berry, Bryan, Dewees, Gleaves, Pilcher, Tannehill, and Wilkins, members of which have been prominent in the life of Nashville from its earliest days. The papers were given to the Tennessee State Library and Archives by Dr. and Mrs. Roy Crowdy Avery of Nashville, Tennessee, in several increments between 1968 and 1971.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Catherine Berry Pilcher Avery Papers, covering the period from about 1500 to 1971 and consisting of twenty-three volumes and about six thousand items, are composed of accounts; an autograph book; Bible records; clippings; correspondence; diaries, journals and reminiscences; documents including depositions, powers of attorney, indentures, a marriage license, etc.; drawings; estate papers; farm records; genealogical and biographical data; land records; military papers; a newspaper; a few obituaries; family photographs, many with negatives; poems; post cards; school papers; two scrapbooks; sketches; telegrams; three wills; and miscellaneous items and memorabilia.

Accounts, 1852-1968, include a renewal receipt of the Mutual Protection Insurance Company of Nashville signed by the president, Meritt S. Pilcher, November 4, 1852; an 1861 receipt for sale of a saddle, stirrups, irons and bridle, part of the estate of Nathaniel B. Read, April 10, 1861; a receipt from Notre Dame for \$200 for the account of the late M. S. Pilcher, January 27, 1865; the record for sale of twenty-nine bales of cotton sold in New Orleans by Kirkpatrick, Nevins & Keith for the account of Messrs. Bryan and Armistead, January 29, 1866; automobile sales contracts from 1928 to 1964; estimates of the cost of the Avery's home in Nashville, 1934; and endowment papers for the Avery family lot in the Maple Grove Cemetery, Kew Gardens, Long Island, New York, 1964-1968.

Papers dealing with associations, etc., include a booklet, *The Genealogy of George Peabody College for Teachers*, by Alfred Leland Crab. Of special interest in the booklet (page 39) is a picture of President Theodore Roosevelt standing in a huge automobile addressing the crowd in front of a University of Nashville building, October, 1907. Roosevelt was then a member of the Peabody Board of Trustees. There are papers concerning The Society of the Sigma Σ X to which Dr. Roy C. Avery was elected a member by the Vanderbilt University Chapter, March 16, 1945. Included are the by-laws of The Studio Club, an artists' association in Nashville of which Dr. Avery was president in 1930. A copy of *The Vanderbilt Alumnus*, May-June, 1928, states that Dr. Avery was one of two to receive the Ph.D. degree from Vanderbilt, the first granted since 1920. There is a copy of *The Ward-Belmont Alumnae Journal*, January, 1931, containing an account of the consolidation of Ward Seminary and Belmont College and a picture of Ward Seminary in 1867.

Two clippings from the Nashville *Banner*, October 2 and 3, 1956, give the story of the U. S. S. *Tennessee*, the captain of which was Nashville native, Captain Albert Gleaves Berry (1848-1938), United States Navy. A clipping from the Nashville *Tennessean*, August 11, 1954, shows Duncan Dorris, eighty-two, of Nashville, and his brother Andrew, seventy-two, of Old Hickory, members of the family that formerly manufactured the Dorris automobile, standing beside their 1919 Dorris model on a trip through the Rockies in 1954. With clippings and miscellaneous items is a note about the service given to the First Presbyterian Church, Nashville, by Margaret Bailey (Bryan) Pilcher (1867-1959) over a period of about sixty-eight years.

Correspondence covers the years 1836 through 1971 and consists principally of incoming correspondence from members of the Berry, Bryan, Pilcher, and related families to the family in Nashville. There are seventy-two letters of condolence, most of them written in 1908 at the time of the death of "Kate" (Berry) Bryan, and in 1955 at the time of the death of the eminent bacteriologist Oswald Theodore Avery, brother of Dr. Roy Avery.

The letter of earliest date is that written by Margaret Bailey Bryan (1793-1841) to her daughter Margaret, March 5, 1836. Margaret was at school in Clarksville, Tennessee, and her mother wrote her "to not spend an idle moment be diligent apply yourself ... these are golden moments-which should not be spent in vain you should now lay up a store of knowledge which will stand by you in all the trials of life."

There are thirty-three letters written home by Ferdinand Berry (1841-1862) describing his life in the Confederate Army in 1861, principally in the campaigns in Virginia. Included in the papers is a picture of Berry in his uniform. He died in Knoxville in 1862.

There are 122 letters written by Admiral Albert Gleaves Berry (1848-1938) to various members of the family from the time he entered the Naval Academy in 1865 until his death in 1938. The early letters give an interesting picture of his life as a fledgling naval officer. In 1870 he wrote from the U. S. S. Flagship *Franklin* at Nice, France, that he was "sweet" on a Miss Newberry. (See her diary in these papers for her account of this romance.) His letter from London, July 9, 1871, to his cousin Albert Gleaves (1858-1937) gives an amusing description of what Albert could expect if he entered the Naval Academy, which he later did and attained the rank of Admiral. Other early letters describe such cities as Rio, Canton, Montevideo, and a severe storm at sea. His later letters are chiefly of day-to-day family news.

Ten letters from Eliza (Tannehill) Gleaves (1823-1884) to her family in Nashville written while on a trip east in 1865 contain excellent descriptions of the places visited, particularly the Cataract House at Niagara Falls and the St. Nicholas Hotel in New York City.

Included are letters of Roy Crowdy Avery written from 1892 to 1969. Of special interest are the eighteen letters he wrote to his brother Oswald Theodore Avery (1877-1955) from France, Germany, and England, while serving as bacteriologist in the Sanitary Corps, Evacuation Hospital No. 2 of the A.E.F. See the Oswald Theodore Avery Papers for thirty-five more letters written by Roy Avery during his service abroad in World War I.

Other World War I letters are those of Stanley Fisk Bryan (1891-1932) who served in the Field Artillery overseas as commander of an artillery battery. He wrote that "my battery - Battery C of the 5th was the first to adjust fire on a hostile target." He was in the battle at Soissons, St. Mihiel, the Argonne, etc. He described his billets, lack of water, the friendly British, a daylight raid, etc.

There are twenty letters from a French war orphan, Marie Louise Mis, written from 1915 to 1923 to Mrs. Roy Avery, her "god-mother," thanking her for all her kindnesses and remembrances. Some are written in French and some in English. Included with the photographs in these papers is a picture of Marie Louise, age about ten, with her little sister.

From 1938 to 1970 Margaret Dewees (Avery) Ritchie (1930-) wrote 231 letters to her parents Dr. and Mrs. Roy Avery, the majority written after her marriage in 1958 in which she gave an account of her day-to-day activities at her home in Atlanta, Georgia.

Other correspondence in these papers deals principally with general family news. See index of the correspondence in this register for a description of the contents of letters.

The earliest diary in the papers is that of Mary (Coburn) Dewees (fl. 1780-1789). Entries from September 27, 1787, to January 29, 1788, describe her journey from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to Lexington, Kentucky. Mrs. Dewees gives a good description of crossing the mountains in wagons, descending the river to Pittsburgh, and on by river to Lexington. She describes the beauty of the country, the rivers, the game, and the people with whom she stayed, most of them "sociable and obliging but amazing dirty." In January, 1788, at her new home near Lexington, Kentucky, she wrote "I have enjoyed more happiness the few days I have been here than I have experienced these four or five years past. I have my little family together and am in full expectations of seeing better days." The original of this diary is in the rare book room of the Harper Library of the University of Chicago.

Included is the original journal of Nancy (Barrow) Pilcher (1812-1885) written in 1845 on a grand tour with her husband, steamboat captain Meritt Scott Pilcher (1802-1865). She describes her trip vividly as they journeyed by steamboat, canal boat, stagecoach, and railroad to Boston, Massachusetts, and back to Louisville, Kentucky, via St. Louis, Chicago, Detroit, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Rochester, Syracuse, Albany, Troy, West Point, and on to New York. They stayed at the Astor House and she described the public drawing room in detail. "...it is something uncommon...is very large and the walls are covered with Pink silk pleated in large box pleats and bordered with brown gimp, from the floor up about 4 feet is walnut polished like furniture and above that is the pink silk, there is a very deep White Cornice at the top of the room and the sealing is painted all over with beautiful wreaths of flowers, cubits, horns, etc. there are blue and white curtains to the windows and the chairs, ottomans, divans, sofas and lunges are all blue cut velvet, a handsome green and red carpet on the floor and two splendid mirrors and a handsome piano, compose the furniture, a pear table with silver waiter and a splendid silver pitcher with a dozen glass goblets around for water." The trip took them on to New Haven, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Richmond, Lynchburg, White Sulphur Springs, Charlestown, Cincinnati, and back to Louisville.

There is a photocopy of the diary of Eliza Jane (Tannehill) Gleaves (1823-1884) kept from 1846 to 1878. Much of the diary consists of poems and writings in memory of her daughter Mary Eliza who died in 1862. She describes the illness and death of both her husband Henry Albert Gleaves (d. 1877) and her daughter Eliza. There are a few genealogical notes and mention of some few marriages and deaths in Nashville. She expatiates on her bashfulness and unfortunate penchant for making faux pas and recounts a few of the more amusing ones. She mentions briefly a trip to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1875 to see her daughter.

A photocopy of the diary, 1848-1852, of Mary Elizabeth Hunt (fl. 1846-1854) gives an account of everyday life in Nashville. She lived with her widowed mother, her sister Ellen, and her brother George. Her mother taught a small school at her home on Spruce Street. Included is a Christ Church bulletin, which contains excerpts from her diary from September 1846, to January 1854. These especially mention the church, as she was responsible for the Sunday school.

Included is a portion of the 1871 diary of Julia Newberry (d. 1876), a young heiress living abroad with her mother and sister. She writes of her friendship with the young naval officer, Albert Gleaves Berry, whom she met at a reception aboard the U.S.S. *Franklin*.

The diaries of Catherine Berry (Pilcher) Avery include five little volumes. Two volumes, 1908-1909, have entries about her friends, school, the theater (She saw Maude Adams in "Peter Pan."), riding her pony, Sunday School, automobile rides with her uncle Duncan Dorris, etc., in Nashville. One amusing incident occurred February 15, 1908, when the basement was flooded at their home by a heavy rain. "Some water got in our seller Duncan came out with a Stanley Steamer got the water out by taking a hose and hitching it on to the car and the steam drew the water up and got nearly all of it out there was 4 inches of water in it." Three volumes written in 1915 and 1917 contain accounts of her trips out West, a visit to her aunt in Tacoma, Washington, etc.

In 1934 Meritt Scott Pilcher (1850-1936) wrote his reminiscences about living on the Charlotte Pike, Nashville. He describes the home built by his grandfather Matthew Barrow (1784-1855) and tells a little of how they fared there during the Civil War.

Of special value is the genealogical data that Mrs. Avery has gathered and compiled on the related families of Avery, Bailey, Barrow, Bayless, Bonner, Bryan, Childress, Conway, Dent, Dewees, Eltonhead, Fowlkes, Gerard, Hatch, Hickman, Pilcher, Smallwood (of Charles County, Maryland), Stoddert, Tannehill, Thoroughgood, Tyler, and Wilkins. Much of this material has been verified for admission to The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America.

An address by the Rt. Rev. Beverley Dandridge Tucker, Bishop of the Diocese of Southern Virginia, April 1921, deals with colonial forbears of Mrs. Avery and is entitled "Tercentenary of Adam Thoroughgood."

Bible records include those for the family of William Tyler Berry, the Hatch-Bryan family, the Berry-Bryan-Pilcher family, and the Tannehill-Wilkins families.

There are three certified copies of wills as follows: that of Sarah Bryan, Craven County, North Carolina, dated August 16, 1765; one of John Wilkins of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, dated February 6, 1808; and one of James Hardy Bryan of Robertson County, Tennessee, dated March 24, 1812.

Included in the papers are the diplomas of Roy Crowdy Avery: B.S. from the Connecticut Agricultural College, 1914; M.S. from the Massachusetts Agricultural College, 1922; Ph.D. from Vanderbilt University, 1928. There is a certificate for Mrs. Roy C. Avery for membership in The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, 1932, and her certificate from the School of Art of Ward-Belmont School, 1921. Also included is her daughter's diploma from Vanderbilt, B.A., 1952.

The earliest document is a deposition of John Ross in 1736, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, in regard to a party of men from Maryland who entered Pennsylvania. It mentions that one, John Wilkins, was seized and sent, bound, to Maryland, his captors pretending that he was one of those for whom a reward was offered. There is an 1817 power of attorney given by William Tyler of Hickman County, Tennessee, for any business pertaining to him in his former home in Charles County, Maryland. Included is the marriage bond for Wilkins Tannehill and Eliza Dewees in 1810 and the marriage license of William T. Berry and Mary Margaret Tannehill, September 12, 1833, Louisville, Kentucky.

Estate papers include a list of Nathaniel B. Read's effects in 1860 which gives the value of his land, forty-four slaves, wagons, mules and horses, hogs, sheep, household furniture, etc., with ages of the slaves and birth dates of some of them. Included is a paper showing the division of the estate of Mary (Berry) Knoble (1846-1933) in Tacoma, Washington, 1936, and a list of heirs. There is a little notebook that belonged to Hardy Bryan (1828-1885) in which he noted the cotton picked and the wages paid while managing the farm of his sister Margaret Jane (Bryan) Read (1822-1908) in Rutherford County, Tennessee, in 1865.

Invitations and programs include an invitation by the Caelebs Club, Nashville, to a hop at the Maxwell House, November 21, 1872. A list of the officers and members appears on the invitation. Included is the menu and program for a dinner in honor of Admiral Albert Gleaves (1858-1937) given at the Hermitage Hotel, April 8, 1919.

Land records include a few papers dealing with the Barrow land on the Charlotte Pike, Thirteenth Civil District of Davidson County, Tennessee; land grant to James Hardy Bryan, 1824; and land grant to Wilkins Tannehill, 1826.

Military papers are those of Roy Crowdy Avery and include his record at Evacuation Hospital #2 from February 25, 1918, to July 18, 1919; his honorable discharge as 1st Lt., Sanitary Corps, United States Army, July 21, 1919; and his appointment in the Officers Reserve Corps, 1919.

Three photograph albums and two folders have many pictures of members of the families of Avery, Bailey, Berry, Bryan, Kirkman, Knoble, Pilcher, Tannehill, and Wilkins spanning the years from 1860 to 1968. One box contains negatives of family pictures. Of special interest are three photographs of Wilkins Tannehill (1787-1858) who was Grand Master of Masons in Tennessee in 1813, and mayor of Nashville, 1825-1827. Included is a photograph of his monument in the Old City Cemetery, Nashville, which is inscribed on the south face,

The Masonic Fraternity
of Tennessee
to Wilkins Tannehill
Past Grand Master
Loved and honored, his
Brethren revere his memory.

Wilkins Tannehill was also the editor of the Nashville *Herald* and the papers include a photocopy of the March 24, 1831, edition of this newspaper.

School papers include a report for H. Bryan, Middle Class, Grammar School Department, University of Nashville, Montgomery Bell Academy for the year 1879, one of Mrs. Avery's first grade spelling tests at Mrs. Hightower's school in 1902, and report cards for Margaret Dewees Avery at the Peabody Demonstration School in 1944.

There are two scrapbooks, one that belonged to Hardy Bryan (1863-1925) who lived in Nashville, Helena, Montana, and Arkansas, which contains principally clippings dealing with James G. Blaine (1830-1893). The other scrapbook belonged to Mary Margaret (Tannehill) Berry (1815-1869) and contains clippings with household hints and cures.

Also included are biographical sketches of Roy Crowdy Avery, Albert Gleaves Berry, Hardy Bryan, the Dorris family, several business leaders in Nashville, Matt B. Pilcher, Wilkins Tannehill, the Tannehill family, and William Wilkins. Sketches of places include one each of Belmont College, Ward-Belmont School, Tennessee business firms, and the William Tyler Berry bookstore in Nashville.

There are about fifteen drawings and etchings done by Mrs. Avery between 1917 and 1925. She has also included an inventory of her household furniture, silver, glassware, china, portraits, and books; and a few notes on portraits and miniatures of family members Eliza (Deweese) Tannehill (1789-1843), William Wilkins (1779-1865), Catherine (Berry) Bryan (1839-1908), William Tyler Berry (1813-1889), Ada Bryan (1859-1861), and Wilkins Tannehill (1787-1858).

There are poems and jingles including a small volume of light verse written by Mary Berry Bryan (1865-1937) and some dialect poetry written by Margaret Dewees (Avery) Ritchie. Included are about four hundred post cards from the United States, Cuba, and Europe, dated from about 1900 to 1969. Most of them are dated 1908. There is a recipe book that belonged to Catherine (Berry) Bryan (1839-1908) and a cookbook that was published by the ladies of Nashville on the occasion of the Tennessee Centennial Exposition in 1897.

Miscellaneous items in the papers include a \$10.00 Confederate bill dated Richmond, Virginia, November 17, 1864, and a few ten cent postage stamps of the Confederacy. There is a two-page essay on immortality written by Hardy Bryan (1828-1885) August 4, 1848. Included is a memorial booklet for John Kirkman (1813-1888), a Nashvillian prominent in banking and mercantile interests, and two tributes to Mary Hamilton (Thompson) Orr (1879-1969), a descendant of pioneer Nashville families. Included are Christmas cards and cards of sympathy, 1908-1968. The Christmas cards of the Bailey and Berry families have pictures of the family members each year from about 1960 to 1968. There is one autograph book that belonged to Margaret Bailey (Bryan) Pilcher (1867-1959) before she was married. Most of the autographs are those of family members, 1883-1884.

Twenty-nine telegrams convey congratulations on the marriage of Dr. and Mrs. Roy C. Avery in 1927; congratulations on the birth of their daughter Margaret Dewees Avery in 1930; and condolences at the death of Dr. Oswald T. Avery in 1955.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Catherine Berry (Pilcher) Avery

- 1894 September 28, born in Nashville, Tennessee
Attended Mrs. H. H. Hightower's private school, Nashville
High school work done at Belmont College, Nashville
- 1921 June 2, granted Special Certificate in Art, Ward-Belmont School
- 1921-1922 Assistant in Art Department, Ward-Belmont School
- 1924-1927 Employed as commercial artist with the Richard Brown Company, Nashville
- 1927 June 9, married Roy Crowdy Avery, Professor of Bacteriology at Vanderbilt University
- 1930 Daughter Margaret Dewees born in Nashville
- 1939-1955 Historian, First Presbyterian Church, Nashville
- 1943-1966 Treasurer, Vanderbilt Aid Society
- 1944- Registrar of The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in Tennessee
- 1945- Board member of The Ladies Hermitage Association
- 1949 Treasurer of The Ladies Hermitage Association
- 1950-1954 Corresponding Secretary of the Tennessee Historical Society
- 1955- Historian, Downtown Presbyterian Church, Nashville
- 1965-1966 Roll of Honor, The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Roy Crowdy Avery

1887 Moved to New York City with his parents, the Rev. Joseph Francis Avery and Elizabeth (Crowdy) Avery

1900-1901 Attended The Barnard school, New York city

1914 Granted the B.S. degree from Connecticut Agricultural College

1915-1917 Graduate Assistant in Microbiology at the Massachusetts State College

1917-1918 Served as a 1st Lt., United States Army Sanitary Corps in the A.E.F.

1918 February 18, filed first papers to become an American citizen

1922 Granted M.S. degree from the Massachusetts Agricultural College

1919-1924 Instructor of Microbiology at Massachusetts State College

1924-1925 Assistant Professor of Bacteriology, College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University

1925-1931 Assistant Professor of Bacteriology and Immunology, Vanderbilt University

1927 June 9, married Catherine Berry Pilcher, Nashville

1928 Granted the Ph.D. degree from Vanderbilt University

1930 President, The Studio Club, Nashville

1931-1953 Associate Professor of Bacteriology and Immunology, Vanderbilt University

1945 March 16, elected member of The Society of the Sigma XI, Vanderbilt University Chapter

1953 Professor Emeritus, Vanderbilt University

1971 January 5, elected Elder Emeritus, Downtown Presbyterian Church, Nashville

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This is a name index of the correspondence in the Catherine Berry (Pilcher) Avery Papers together with the dates of the letters and information regarding their contents. The figures in parentheses immediately following the name denote the number of letters if more than one. The last figures given show the box and folder in which the letter is to be found.

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